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DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE

National Agricultural Statistics Service

Notice of Intent to Revise a Previously Approved Information Collection

AGENCY: National Agricultural Statistics Service, USDA.

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

SUMMARY: In accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995, this notice announces the intent of the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS) to seek reinstatement of an information collection, the National Childhood Injury and Occupational Injury Survey of Farm Operators.

DATES: Comments on this notice must be received by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER] to be assured of consideration.

ADDRESSES: You may submit comments, identified by docket number **0535-0235**, by any of the following methods:

- E-mail: ombofficer@nass.usda.gov. Include docket number above in the subject line of the message.
- Fax: (202) 720-6396.
- Mail: Mail any paper, disk, or CD-ROM submissions to: David Hancock, NASS Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 5336 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-2024.

- Hand Delivery/Courier: Hand deliver to: David Hancock, NASS Clearance Officer, U.S. Department of Agriculture, Room 5336 South Building, 1400 Independence Avenue SW, Washington, D.C. 20250-2024.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Joseph T. Reilly, Associate Administrator, National Agricultural Statistics Service, U.S. Department of Agriculture, (202) 720-4333.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

Title: National Childhood Injury and Occupational Injury Survey of Farm Operators.

OMB Control Number: 0535-0235.

Expiration Date of Previous Approval: 12/31/2011.

Type of Request: To seek reinstatement of an information collection for a period of three years.

Abstract: The National Childhood Injury and Adult Occupational Injury Survey of Farm Operators is designed to : 1) provide estimates of childhood nonfatal injury incidence and description of injury occurring to children less than 20 years of age who reside, work, or visit farms and 2) describe the occupational injury experience of farm operators. These surveys are being conducted as part of a cooperative agreement between the Center for Disease Control (CDC) and the National Agricultural Statistics Service (NASS). In 2012, NASS will conduct the General Adult and Child Injury survey and will use the total farm population to sample from. In 2013, NASS will not be conducting an injury survey, since we

will be concentrating on the Census of Agriculture survey (OMB # 0535-0226). In 2014, NASS plans to again conduct the General Adult and Child Injury Survey, and this time, the survey will concentrate on minority farm operators.

Data Collection for the Three Year Approval Period			
Survey Targeted Group	Reference Year	Survey Year	Sample Size
General Adult and Child Injury Survey (Target Population – All Farm Operators)	2011	2012	50,000
No Survey Conducted this Year	2012	2013	0
General Adult and Child Injury Survey (Minority Farm Operators)	2013	2014	50,000

Data will be collected by telephone from all 50 states. Questions will relate to farm injuries occurring during the reference calendar year. These data will update and enhance existing data series used by the National Institute of Occupational Safety and Health (NIOSH) to: 1) establish a measure of the number and rate of childhood injuries associated with farming operations and study the specific types of injuries sustained and 2) describe the scope and magnitude of occupational injuries associated with farming operations. The collection combines the youth and occupational injury studies to reduce the number of contacts on the targeted farm population. Reports will be generated and information disseminated to all interested parties concerning the findings from this study.

Authority: These data will be collected under the authority of 7 U.S.C. 2204(a). Individually identifiable data collected under this authority are governed by Section 1770 of the Food Security Act of 1985, 7 U.S.C. 2276, which requires

USDA to afford strict confidentiality to non-aggregated data provided by respondents. This Notice is submitted in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3501, et seq.) and Office of Management and Budget regulations at 5 CFR part 1320.

NASS also complies with OMB Implementation Guidance, "Implementation Guidance for Title V of the E-Government Act, Confidential Information Protection and Statistical Efficiency Act of 2002 (CIPSEA)," 72 FR 33362 (June 15, 2007).

Estimate of Burden: Reporting burden for this collection of information is estimated to average 12 minutes per response; screen-outs will be allowed early in the interview process if no injuries were incurred in the reference year. Burden is based on a minimum response rate of 80%. NASS will be utilizing several pieces of publicity and informational materials to encourage respondents to participate in this important survey.

Respondents: Farm Operators.

Estimated Annual Number of Respondents: 33,500.

Estimated Total Annual Burden on Respondents: 10,500 hours.

Copies of this information collection and related instructions can be obtained without charge from David Hancock, NASS - OMB Clearance Officer, at (202) 690-2388 or at ombofficer@nass.usda.gov.

COMMENTS: Comments are invited on: (a) whether the proposed collection of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the agency, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) the

accuracy of the agency's estimate of the burden of the proposed collection of information, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of information on those who are to respond, including through the use of appropriate automated, electronic, mechanical, technological, or other forms of information technology collection methods. All responses to this notice will become a matter of public record and be summarized in the request for OMB approval.

Signed at Washington, D.C., March 06, 2012.

Joseph T. Reilly,
Associate Administrator.

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